

## BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

JIM IRVIN
Chairman
CARL J. KUNASEK
Commissioner
TONY WEST
Commissioner

In the Matter of the Application of U S WEST )	
Communications, Inc., a Colorado Corporation, )	
For a Hearing to Determine the Earnings of the )	Dkt. No. T-01051B-99-0105
Company, the Fail Value of the Company for )	
Ratemaking Purposes, to Fix a Just and Reasonable)	
Rate of Return Thereon and to Approve of Rate )	
Schedules Designed to Develop Such Return )	

## Sprint's Application to Intervene

Sprint Communications Company L.P., ("Sprint"), hereby requests leave to intervene in this matter, pursuant to Commission rule R14-3-105. In support of this request, Sprint states and alleges as follows.

- 1. U S WEST Communications, Inc. ("USW"), in its filing herein, has requested approval to change rates for various services and for changes in the way in which certain services are regulated.
- 2. Sprint is both a customer and competitor of U S WEST. As a provider of long distance services, Sprint is a major purchaser of U S WEST exchange access services and and a competitor in the provision of intraLATA interexchange services. Consequently, Sprint will be directly and substantially affected by changes in the rates of such services and in the way such services are regulated. As a certificated local service provider, Sprint will also be directly and substantially affected as both a customer and competitorission by changes in rates and manner of regulation of various U S WEST services.

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WHEREFORE, Sprint requests an order granting Sprint leave to intervene and participate in this matter as a party.

Respectfully submitted,

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## Certificate of Service

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